DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring Russell M. Plummer for his years of service as Doorkeeper for the Indiana Senate. WALTZ ______, read first time and referred to Committee on



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SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION honoring Russell M. Plummer for his years of service as Doorkeeper for the Indiana Senate.

Whereas, Russell M. Plummer served the Indiana Senate for twenty sessions as Doorkeeper. During his tenure, Mr. Plummer witnessed a special session in 1992 and historic property tax reform in 2008. He has seen four governors take office, and witnessed the longest serving President Pro Tempore leave office;

Whereas, Before Mr. Plummer assumed his post outside the Senate Chamber, he was setting posts on the basketball courts. As power forward for Lavonia High School, he helped lead the school to victory in the 1950 Sectional Championship;

Whereas, Although Mr. Plummer served as a U.S. Post Office Clerk for 30 years before retiring in 1988, his true calling may have been Doorkeeper of the Indiana Senate. The job of a USPS Clerk is to certify and sort incoming and outgoing mail; in the same manner, it's the job of a Doorkeeper to certify and sort individuals entering and exiting the Senate; and

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Whereas, Mr. Plummer served in the Army and was stationed in Japan following the aftermath of the Korean War. The Army instilled Mr. Plummer with a sense of discipline and honor, which translated into a respect for institutions greater than any one man. Mr. Plummer offered this respect to the Indiana General Assembly as he executed his duties as Doorkeeper. Former President Pro Tempore Robert Garton described the Senate at one time during Mr. Plummer's tenure as, "orderly, well-mannered and thoughtful," a description made possible in part by the hard work and diligence of Mr. Plummer; Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate hereby recognizes Russell
- 2 M. Plummer for his years of service as Doorkeeper.
- 3 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
- 4 transmit a copy of this Resolution to Russell M. Plummer.

